

City of FDL

City Connection

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Engineering by Paul DeVries, City Engineer/Deputy Director Public Works

Orange Barrels and **Road Closed**, the sure SIGN the City's Engineering Division is busy at work. The 11 full time staff in the Engineering and Traffic Division are largely involved in many of the public works construction projects that occur throughout the community. The City of Fond du Lac's infrastructure has over 170 miles of streets, 340 miles of sidewalks, and over 500 miles of underground pipes that carry our drinking water, sanitary, and storm water.

Engineering projects include street reconstruction, bridge and pavement maintenance, sidewalk replacement, rehabilitation of public underground utilities, and many other projects. The largest of the engineering projects typically includes the reconstruction

of a few streets each year. Streets are often reconstructed to replace the underground utilities which include sanitary sewer, water mains, and storm sewer. In addition to street reconstruction, the City is responsible for the pavement maintenance. On average pavement maintenance can range from chip sealing to mill and overlaying the pavement. The Engineering Division also inspects and maintains over 34 bridges that connect our streets. The City's annual sidewalk program inspects different sections of the City each year to ensure the sidewalks are safe for pedestrian travel.

The GIS staff assists multiple City Departments with mapping projects, infrastructure data creation & storage, data analysis, and mo-

bile solutions. Staff works to improve work-flows and has created much efficiency with various city crews.

The Engineering & Traffic Division also plays a key role in many other tasks. The Engineering Division is tasked with the responsibility of assigning new addresses to buildings, parking restriction requests, permitting for work completed in the public right of way, storm water and drainage plan review, land surveying, traffic signals, bidding & contracting, and many other tasks as they relate to the City's transportation and infrastructure.

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Welcome to the City Team



Sean
Kostritz—
Transit Bus
Driver

I grew up in Milwaukee, and moved to the Lomira/Fond du Lac area about ten years ago. I have been a professional driver my whole life with just under a million miles under my belt. In my free time, I like to do a little of everything including wood working, working on cars, cooking, hanging with my dog, and playing guitar. I look forward to transporting the great people of Fond du Lac safely to whatever destination they desire.

Joe Michels—
Water Utility
Worker



I was born and raised on a small hobby farm west of Fond du Lac. I took over the farm from my parents recently. I raise a few beef cattle at the present time. I spend my summer camping with my wife Jessica and son Liam, and other family (I have one brother and four sisters), and friends. I enjoy the outdoors and am a volunteer Fireman and First Responder for the Town of Lamartine.

Zachary
Miller—
Engineering
Tech I



Hello! I was originally born in Iowa and spent the first eleven years of my life there. I then lived in the

Oakfield area when my family moved there in the early 2000s. I worked as a mechanic prior to attending MPTC for the Civil Engineering Technology Program. My spare time is spent primarily on the lake and working on projects around the house.

Emilyn
Linden—
Librarian—
Adult
Services



I grew up in central Iowa and have lived in several cities throughout the Midwest before moving to Wisconsin a year and a half ago. I've worked in libraries all of my adult life. In my free time, I hike with my family and spend time with my husband, son, and pets.

Mary
Parsons—
Librarian—
Youth
Services



I love traveling and talking about traveling. I recently spent eight months traveling in Australia and New Zealand. I fulfilled my previously unknown dreams of holding a koala, feeding a kangaroo, and surfing in the ocean. Some of those experiences were more successful than others. (I can cross professional surfer off my list of possible occupations.)

Mario
Romo—Street
Maintenance
Worker

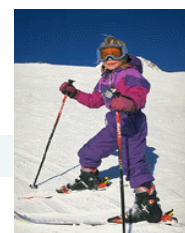


I have 3 children, Mario Jr. (7), Marcello (5), and Giavanna (4), and fiancé Brittany. My family and I enjoy outdoor activities and traveling. I'm looking forward to being part of the City team.

Mary Caves—
Laborer



I spent the past three years as an 8-month seasonal Caretaker in the Parks Department. In September, I was hired as Laborer in the C&M division. My background consists of experiences within the steel factories, punch press, some CNC, spot welding, certified painter, and press operator of various presses. I taught and supervised a team of co-workers on how to use various punch presses. My education was at Beaver Dam Technical for CNA certification which led me to become an LPN. Returning education included 1 year at Milwaukee Area Technical College in Mequon for office automations, and 3 years at MPTC for assistant administration. I enjoy reading, biking, camping, skiing, fishing, watching football, basketball, and attending games. I also enjoy watching summer and winter X-games and the Olympics.



Thanksgiving

*For each new
morning with its
light,
For rest and shelter
of the night,
For health and
food,
For love and
friends,
For everything Thy
goodness sends.
-Ralph Waldo
Emerson
(1803-1882)*

FDL Public Library News

Did you know the FDL Public Library has free events for all ages, every month? Check out the links below. You can receive the library's monthly events calendar by email; sign up [here](#).

- * [FDL Artists' Association show Nov 1-Dec 5](#)
- * [3-color pillowcase project Nov 15 & 16](#)
- * [Dementia-friendly community discussion Nov 15](#)
- * [Artist Kolstad to teach card art Nov 18](#)
- * [Teens take a hike in November](#)
- * [Yarn Crafters meet Nov 9, Dec 14](#)
- * [Letters to Santa due Dec 6](#)
- * [Uke Club meets Nov 11](#)
- * [How to convert bicycle to pedal-free Nov 7](#)
- * [Something New in the Kitchen Nov 9](#)
- * [Let's Go Downtown: Revisit favorite haunts Nov 16](#)
- * [November kids' events at FDL Library](#)
- * [Half off fines on Black Friday Nov 24](#)



- * [Learn to make ciabatta Nov 21](#)
- * [Real-life 'Wonder' to speak at library](#)
- * [Author Engels to sell sci-fi thriller Nov 11](#)
- * [Best bargains this holiday season: Chapter 52](#)



*The season of giving
always prevails,
And lifts my spirit
high.
I wish this season
would stay all year
And the love it
shows never
disappear.*

Catherine Pulsifer



CITY NEWS

The City website has numerous information listed under each department: <https://www.fdl.wi.gov/all-departments.iml> including **Fire** monthly newsletters and other fire information (www.fdlfire.com); **Police** news and information (<http://newsletter.fdlpolice.com/>); **Transit** bus routes/fares, tracking/social media; **Community Development** planning and zoning, historic preservation; **Comptroller/Finance** financial and budget documents; **Municipal Service Center** information on household hazardous waste and bulky waste disposal; leaf collection and disposal; **Parking Utility** downtown parking guide and passport parking mobile pay; **Senior Center** special events, education, and gift shop ideas; **Wastewater** public education, plant tours and school presentations; **Water** treatment system information, reports, and statistics; and **Human Resources** employee handbook, union contracts, benefits, payroll forms, safety and wellness.

Check it out!!



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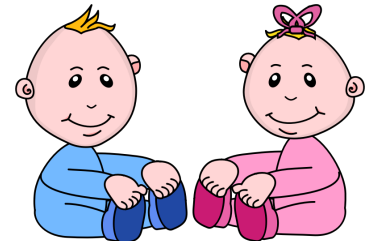
Open Enrollment Time is Here

Packets were distributed to departments on Wednesday, November 1. Benefit meetings are scheduled for Nov. 7, 8, 9, 14 at different locations and times. Please plan on attending one of these meetings to learn about upcoming changes to 2018 benefits.

Please complete the required paperwork and return to Human Resources by **DECEMBER 5.**



<http://www.festivalfoodsturkeytrot.com/race-locations.php>



MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES

25 Years

Charlene Wiese
(Legal)



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20 Years

Tricia Davi
(Comptrollers)

5 Years

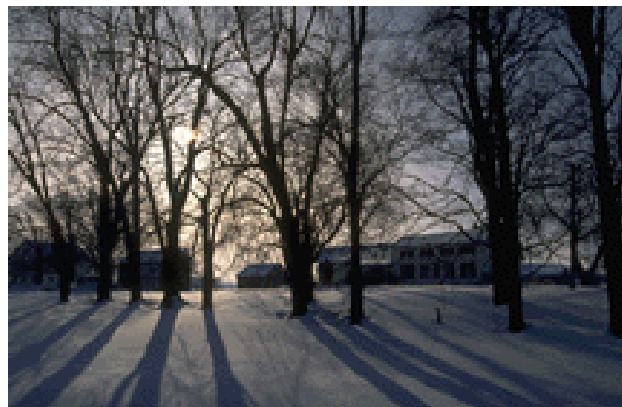
Sarah Newton
(Library)
Gene Olig
(GIS/Engineering)
Mike Noble
(Police)

Baby News

Warren Churchill
(son of Chad) - GIS/Engineering
Claire Chevremont (daughter of Matt) -
Police
Zakary Simon (son of Matt) - Fire

Marriage News

Marcus Flannery (Fleet) -
September



“Winter is the time for comfort, for good food and warmth, for the touch of a friendly hand and for a talk beside the fire: it is the time for home.”